

**Amendments to the Claims:**

The following list of claims will replace all previous versions and listings of claims:

**Claims:**

Claim 14 (canceled).

Claim 15 (currently amended): A finger protector device according to claim ~~[[14]]~~ 26, in which the flexible hinge sections provide a pivotal connection.

Claim 16 (canceled).

Claim 17 (currently amended): A finger protector device according to claim ~~[[14]]~~ 26, in which the first surface is a door.

Claim 18 (currently amended): A finger protector device according to claim ~~[[14]]~~ 26, in which the second surface is a door frame.

Claim 19 (currently amended): A finger protector device according to claim ~~[[14]]~~ 26, in which the first, second and third ~~members~~ strips of plastics material are elongate members.

Claim 22 (currently amended): A finger protector device according to claim ~~[[14]]~~ 26, in which each of said mounting portions is thicker than the first, second and third ~~members~~ strips of plastics material.

Claim 25 (currently amended): A finger protector device according to claim ~~[[14]]~~ 26, in which ~~the~~ a door frame is connected to the first mounting portion which is pivotally connected to the first ~~member~~ strip of plastics material which is pivotally connected to the second ~~member~~ strip of plastics material which is pivotally connected to the third ~~member~~ strip of plastics material which is pivotally connected to the second mounting portion which is connected to a door, and wherein the first, second and third ~~members~~ strips of plastics material and the first and second mounting portions are all elongate members, and further wherein the finger protector device has a substantially uniform cross-section along its length.

Claim 26 (new): A finger protector device comprising a first mounting portion connected by a first flexible hinge section to a first strip of plastics material, the first strip of plastics material is connected to a second strip of plastics material by a second flexible hinge section, the second strip of plastics material is connected to a third strip of plastics material by a third flexible hinge section, the third strip of plastics material is connected to a second mounting portion by a fourth flexible hinge section; the finger protector device is arranged, in use, to be mounted to a first surface by the first mounting portion; the finger protector

device is arranged, in use, to be mounted to a second surface by the second mounting portion; in which relative movement of the first and second surfaces is possible and in which the first flexible hinge section is pre-biased at about 90° relative to the first strip of plastics material and the fourth flexible hinge section is pre-biased at about 90° relative to the third strip of plastics material; and in which the first strip of plastics material and the third strip of plastics material are substantially similar.